BASS NURSERY

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I am closing out my nursery on account of continued poor health so as soon as the Hibiscus I now have on hand are gone there will be no more for sale. On orders for fifteen or more plants I will pack for shipping for an additional charge of 15¢ per plant. All of my plants are in gallon cans and are healthy and well grown. Send for my price list. I have the following varieties in stock at this time:

Celia
Bride
Madam X
McIntyre
Sea Shell
Snow Queen
Hurricania
Winn Doxie
Ross Estey
Miss Sallie
Florida Sun
Agnes Gault
Orchid White
Pink LaFrance
Scarlet Giant
White LaFrance
Southern Queen
Shimoda Yellow
Jeanne Reynolds
Gladys Michaels
Ft. Myers Yellow
Mrs. Mary Johnson
Mrs. Harry Higbee
General George C. Marshall

Thompson's Huge Single Yellow
Pauline Massengill
Ruth Stuart Allen
Mrs. James Hendry
John Paul Jones
Chas. James Jr.
Norman Reasoner
Harry Goulding
Anderson's 161
Blushing Bride
Ruffled Giant
Peggy Hendry
Hatabel Hyer
Double Hilo
Silver Pink
Jimmy John
Desert Sun
Pink Giant
Dr. DuPuis
Roddy Boy
Sapphire
Veronica
Zombie
Kathy

I also have in stock choice allamanda, Ixora and Geranium plants.

SPRING CULTURE - CENTRAL, by Tommy Viers

The first step, of course is the pruning of your plants. One person will tell you one thing and another will tell you something else. I say prune 'em to suit yourself. There is only one cutting factor that I advocate, and that is when you trim the shoots cut just above a node or leaf bud that faces towards the center of the plant. This will make your plant grow more erect and not sprawl all over the place.

When the young shoots are sprouted out about 4" long pinch the tips of them out, when another sprouting of about 2" grows forth pinch the tips out again. Your plant should now be bushing very nicely. Even though you will be later than some in getting bloom, the extra flowers you will receive for your trouble will certainly be worth it.

If you have banked your Hibiscus and they have frozen back to the top of the bank, cut them off now and scratch the dirt away till you see a couple of green buds or shoots. If you don't do this your plant stalk may die off, especially if your soil is very wet. Watch your weather carefully, and if another freeze is coming you can quickly put four or five inches of soil over the top until the freeze is over and then remove the soil again. A lot of trouble you say? You bet it is. A lazy person can't raise Hibiscus, good ones that is. You really have to work at it.

If you will take notice you will find that most of our severe freezes occur around the time the moon comes full. March 13th is full moon date for 1960. Watch your TV weather map, if Texas is warm and no sign of a blizzard moving down the plains country, chances are, winter is over for us. Wait till the 16th before you remove your banking. If you don't believe the moon has something to do with our weather then consult your local weather man on past winter history.

After you have pruned your plants, or removed your